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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the reference listed on Form PTO-1449 is attached.

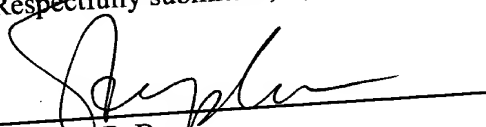
In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Reference AB is discussed at page 3, lines 17 and 18, of the present specification.

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office may, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

The attention of the Patent Office is drawn to copending application Serial No. 09/415,164 (Our Ref.: 791_068), filed October 8, 1999, which may contain technical subject matter related to that of the present invention. A copy of this application is enclosed. This identification is not to be construed as a waiver of secrecy as to the cited application now or upon issuance of the present application as a patent. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited application and the art cited therein during examination of the present application.

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